SUBSTITUTE ABSTRACT

Please replace the original Abstract with the following Abstract:

"The universal mounting for a vehicle rear view mirror has a mounting bracket which is attached to the mirror on one side and has an engaging surface for engaging a mirror arm on the opposite side; a clamp holds the mirror arm against the engaging surface. The engaging surface is an open recess with two parallel, opposing end walls, and base that extends between the two end walls. The base forms in perpendicular to the end walls. In the middle of the base is a V-shaped recess. The engaging surface is designed to hold mirror arms that different cross sectional shape, such as, a polygon or a circle."